

Richard sadly passed away at home in Port Augusta on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2017, he will be missed dearly by everyone who knew him, especially his family & Friends.



Loving partner of Joanne and special uncle to Blayde, Allanah and Dotti.

Much loved son of Reginald James & Step son of Emely

Loving brother to Kerri, Kiona, Jodie and Albert & brother in law to Chanara and Edwin.

Loved uncle to O'che, Elijah, Mariah, & Kye.

Much loved brother, cousin, uncle, nephew and special friend to many.

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF**  
**RICHARD JAMES WILTON**  
**(RICH0)**



**“LIFE’S A TEST, MISTAKES ARE  
LESSONS, BUT THE GIFT OF LIFE IS  
KNOWING THAT YOU HAVE MADE A  
DIFFERENCE”**

∞∞ TUPAC SHAKUR ∞∞

**RIP RICH0**

**10<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 1976 – 12<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2017**

Richard James Wilton was born on the 10<sup>th</sup> October 1976 at King Edward Hospital, Subiaco, Perth Western Australia. All though He was the eldest son to Reginald James Wilton and Colleen Elizabeth Wilton (nee Brown), (deceased), He had an older sister named Kerri Anne.

At the time of Richard's birth, Reg was working on the Trans line with the Railways where him and Colleen resided at Rawlinna on the Nullabor Plains.

A week after his birth, mother and son were transferred to Kalgoorlie Hospital and later arrived back at Rawlinna via the Freight Train.

Richard spent 5yrs of his childhood at Rawlinna, where his father remembers going to the local store to buy a carton of assorted soft drinks and lollies to last the fortnight. Reg then went back to work and drove past the house to see Richard had the whole town of little kids at the house having a lollie & soft drink party. All Reg could do was laugh and then he told his son "No more soft-drink until next fortnight (shop shut).

In 1980, Richard was happy as the family was blessed with the little sister Kiona Lee. The Family then moved to Peterborough SA.

Richard was 5yrs old when he started school where the family was accompanied by Colleen's Niece Theresa Bottrell (nee Nicholls). The time the two cousins spent together was enjoyed with laughter and a lot of fighting.

The Next move for the family was to Hawker where he attended the Hawker Area School. In 1983, Richard was blessed with another little sister Jodie Anne and in 1985 Richard was over the moon when his baby brother Reginald Albert Vivian was born.

In 1990, the family moved to Bailey Street at Pt Augusta to help look after and care for his Grandparents.

Richard finished his schooling at Augusta Park High School and then started his working career with an Aboriginal organisation at Beltana.

His past employment included working at Kalgoorlie Mines as part of his Curtin University Courses. He then moved on to do Heavy Machinery work at Umuwa Community APY Lands with his Mita's John John, Troy, Shannon & Jono. This is where Albert called the Group "The Backstreet Boys".

His Long term employment with the Adelaide City Council consisted of 10 years' service. He was awarded several achievements which included 'Adelaide City Council Worker of the Year'.

He resided for many years at Aboriginal Hostels Ltd in Adelaide and had special connections with Ronnie Satour, Uncle Des Coulthard and other staff members.

Richard and Jo first met in Port Augusta in 2013 and built a relationship on love and mutual respect. He was a happy-go-lucky person who was loving, caring and a very funny man who always made us laugh and filled our lives with love and joy. Richard helped Jo care for and raise her great nephew Blayde and 2 great nieces Allanah and Dotti. We will cherish all the wonderful happy memories we made together and hold you close to our hearts forever.

During Richard's life he was a proud Yura that enjoyed his culture. He kept connections with both sides of the family by going to Nantawarrina with his Grandparents, Goats Camp with Families and to Tibooburra & Broken Hill with the Yawarawarka, Yandruwandha (YY) families.

He was a proud uncle to O'che, Elijah & Mariah and he had the honour of naming his youngest nephew Kye Ashley.

Richard was a true West Coast Eagles supporter. He also had a strong passion for music such as RNB and Hip-Hop. He was a fun loving man that had the best sense of humour. He was a funny story teller & joker to the point that if the story or

joke wasn't funny, you would laugh anyway because of his loud infectious laugh.

